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Title: CONTACTLESS ENERGY TRANSFER APPARATUS

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Please amend the above-identified patent application, which is a divisional of U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/547,700, as indicated below and in accordance with the attached replacement sheets, and consider the application as thus amended in view of the Remarks that follow. The attached replacement sheets 1, 27, 29, 30, 33, and 35 contain the amendments shown below. Applicants requests that replacement sheets 1, 27, 29, 30, 33, and 35 be substituted for original sheets 1, 27, 29, 30, 33, and 35 in this application.

## AMENDMENT

**In the Specification:**

On page 1, line 3, after the words "This application is a" insert --divisional application, based on prior copending application Serial No. 09/547,700, filed April 11, 2000, which in turn is a--.

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel Claims 16-20.

Please amend Claims 1, 5, 39, 40, and 50 as follows:

1. (Amended) A contactless electrical energy transfer apparatus comprising:

- (a) a portable receiving unit including:
  - (i) a receiver coil; and